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State Legislature

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Senator James Babbitt

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Biographical Note

James E. Babbitt served in the Arizona State Legislature from 1933 until his death in 1944, first as a member of the House of Representatives and then as Senator for Coconino County. Active in water, power, and teacher retirement legislation, he served on the following Senate Committees: Agriculture and Irrigation; Banking and Insurance; Education; Finance and Revenue; Judiciary; Livestock; Public Defense; Public Health; Public Lands; and Suffrage and Elections. He also served as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of files from the office of Senator James Babbitt, covering the period from 1931 to 1941. The records deal primarily with his work as chairman of the Appropriations Committee, and the bulk of the folders include minutes, budget requests, documents on hearings, and statements of appropriation and disbursements for various state institutions, departments, and agencies. Also included are correspondence and audit reports and related materials. Records are organized into three series: appropriation committee, correspondence, and audits.

Series Descriptions

Series 1. Appropriation Committee, 1937-1939, includes two small boxes arranged (not alphabetically) by state institution, department, and agency. The folders contain letters, minutes, budget requests, documents on hearings, and statements of appropriation and disbursements.

Series 2. Correspondence, 1931-1939, includes four folders. Most letters are in regard to appropriations and spending. Also included are some personal communications.

Series 3. Audits, 1933-1939, includes one folder containing audit reports and supporting documentation of cash receipts for various state institutions, departments, and agencies, with letters from Ana Frohmiller, State Auditor.

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Series 1. Appropriations Committee

<u>Box:Folder</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dates</u>
1:1	University of Arizona – copy of HB 272; hearing	1938-1941
1:2	Flagstaff (Teachers College) – minutes; biennial budget	1937-1939
1:3	Tempe (Teachers College) – minutes; biennial budget; analysis of revenue	1937-1939
1:4	Department of Education – hearing	1939
1:5	School for the Deaf and Blind – proposed budget and suggested legislation; minutes	1937-1939
1:6	Boys Industrial School, Fort Grant	1937-1939
1:7	Pioneers Home, Prescott – minutes; budget request	1939-1939
1:8	Arizona State Prison, Florence – includes report to attorney general	1937-1939
1:9	Attorney General – hearing; biennial budget; payroll	1937-1939
1:10	Board of Directors, State Institutions – minutes; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
1:11	Arizona State Board of Health – hearing; biennial budget	1939
1:12	Board of Pardons and Paroles – minutes; budget request; appropriation and disbursements; letter regarding inmates received while actively on parole	1939
1:13	Bureau of Criminal Identification – hearing	1939
1:14	Capitol Building and Grounds – hearings (Central Arizona Light and Power Company and Capitol Annex Fixtures); appropriation and disbursements; minutes	1937-1939
1:15	Commission on Agriculture and Horticulture – hearing; budgets request; appropriation	1937-1939
1:16	Corporation Commission – hearing; statement of expenditures and biennial budget; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1941
1:17	State Dairy Commission – hearing; audit	1939
1:18	Industrial Commission – hearing; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
2:19	Department of Weights and Measures – hearing	1939
2:20	Colorado River Commission – hearing	1939

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<u>Box:Folder</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dates</u>
2:21	Library and Archives – hearing; appropriation and disbursements	1939
2:22	Livestock Sanitary Board – minutes; biennial budget; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
2:23	National Guard– minutes; biennial budget; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
2:24	Secretary of State – minutes; appropriation and disbursements	1939
2:25	Secretary of State, ANGIUS - minutes; budget request	1939
2:26	Sheep Sanitary Commission (Board) - hearing	1939
2:27	State Auditors – salary schedule; budget requirements; report of inventory department; copy of budget and financial administration act of 1939; statement of social security and welfare funds	1937-1939
2:28	Miscellaneous – budgets requests; appropriation and expenditures; salary schedules for University of Arizona, State Auditor, State Treasurer, National Guard Association, State Hospital	1937-1939
2:29	State Examiner – minutes	1939
2:30	State Fair Commission – hearing; biennial budget	1939
2:31	State Laboratory – budget requests; hearing; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
2:32	State Land Commission – minutes	1939
2:33	State Mine Inspector – hearing; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
2:34	State Tax Commission – hearing; breakdown of excise tax collections	1939
2:35	State Treasurer – minutes; analysis of appropriation and expenditures; budget request; appropriation and disbursements	1937-1939
2:36	State Veterinarian – hearing	1939
2:37	Water Commission – revised biennial budget request; minutes; hearing; appropriations for steam gagging	1939
2:38	Veterans Relief Commission – minutes	
2:39	Veterans Service Officer – minutes	1939
2:40	State Employment Service – hearing; telegram regarding provisions of appropriation bill	1939

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<u>Box:Folder</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dates</u>
2:41	Miscellaneous Board "Breakdowns" – Board of Chiropractic Examiners(dental examiners, embalmers, game and fish commission, medical examiners); Central Arizona Light and Power (billing analysis, summary of E-42 customers, estimated cost of State Capitol plant, and report on costs and advantages of diesel); Minimum Wage Law (minutes); WPA Expansion and Rehabilitation Program (minutes)	1937-1939
2:42	Appropriation Summaries	1939

Series 2. Correspondence

<u>Box:Folder</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dates</u>
2:43	Federal	1931-1939
2:44	Constituent – regarding spending	1939
2:45	Job Requests and Endorsements	1939
2:46	Personal	1939

Series 3. Audits

<u>Box:Folder</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dates</u>
2:47	Reports of Ana Frohmiller, State Auditor – Pima County Board of Social Security; supplementary report of welfare of children confined in Arizona State Hospital for the Insane; State Departments and Boards; Arizona State School for the Deaf and the Blind; Registrar of Contractors; Arizona Game and Fish Commission; Arizona State Board of Beauty Culture Examiners; Arizona State Board of Naturopathic Examiners; examination of the records of and verification of cash receipts for the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy; Social Security and Welfare Funds; verification of cash receipts for State Weights and Measures; Maricopa County Welfare Board; State Industrial School	1933-1939